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Request for

## Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

| Application Number     | 10/723,460        |
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| Filing Date            | November 26, 2003 |
| First Named Inventor   | Kovach, Louis G.  |
| Art Unit               | 2837              |
| Examiner Name          | Renata D. McCloud |
| Attorney Docket Number | 021755-000500US   |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

| <ol> <li>Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).</li> </ol>   |   |  |  |  |
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| a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.  |   |  |  |  |
| i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on   |   |  |  |  |
| ii. Other  |   |  |  |  |
| b. 🛛 Enclosed  |   |  |  |  |
| i. 🖾 Amendment/Reply iii 🗌 Inform  | mation Disclosure Sta   | atement (IDS)  |  |  |
| ii. Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s) iv. Othe  | Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s) iv. Other Petition for Extension of Time |  |  |  |
| 2. Miscellaneous   |   |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period ofmonths. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)</li> </ul>  |   |  |  |  |
| b. Other   | Other   |  |  |  |
| 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the second s |   |  |  |  |
| a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430 . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.  |   |  |  |  |
| i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) \$ 395  |   |  |  |  |
| ii. X Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) \$ 225   | <u> </u>  | 201430 10723460                                      |  |  |
| iii. Other 02 FC:2801  | 1 \$ 395.00 DA  | ·  |  |  |
| b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed  |   |  |  |  |
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| WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card Information should Information and authorization on PTO-2038.  SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGE Signature  Name (Print /Type) Kent J. Tobin  CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSM.  I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1455   | Date Registration No.   | March 29, 2006 39,496 irst class mail in an envelope |  |  |